

## REMARKS

In accordance with the foregoing, claims 1, 6, 7, 12, 13, 18, 19, and 24 have been amended with new claims 25-48 being added. No new matter is being presented, and approval and entry are respectfully requested.

### REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 1-7, 9-13, 15-19, and 21-24 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as being obvious over Kato, U.S. Patent No. 6,263,202 in view of Levine, U.S. Patent No. 6,792,082. In view of the amendments set forth above and the remarks set forth below, the outstanding obviousness rejection is respectfully traversed.

In accordance with the outstanding Office Action at page 3, Kato "fails to teach interpreting the audio-data as matching a selected one of a set of commands, the set of commands comprising at least one command for configuring the voice-recognition engine in interpreting the audio-data." It is further noted that Kato sets forth at col. 13, line 21-23 that "When a message is compiled by voice recognition, 'voice recognition' is *clicked* and the voice to be transmitted is input." Levine, col. 4, ln. 61 to col. 6, ln. 22, is relied upon in the Office Action to "interpret audio input such as audio commands and execute the commands."

The independent claims now particularly set forth, *inter alia*, that "the voice-recognition engine is configured to interpret single word or multiple word audio-data as matching a selected one of a set of alphanumeric characters."

Support is found in the specification as filed, at least, at paragraph [0019] wherein the multiple word audio data "Capital X" matches one alphanumeric character "X". Likewise, support is found in the specification, at least, at paragraph [0022] wherein the multiple word audio data "Exclamation Point" matches one alphanumeric character "!".

This claimed subject matter is neither taught nor suggested by Kato or Levine, alone or in combination.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding obviousness rejection are respectfully requested.

NEW CLAIMS 25-48

New claims 25-47 particularly set forth the subject matter identified above. In particular, independent claim 35 relates to a device and independent claim 43 relates to a method without the feature of matching a selected one of a set of commands. Approval and entry are respectfully requested.

**CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing, Applicants submit that the application is in condition for allowance. Should any issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at the number provided below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be due or credit any overpayment to deposit account no. 17-0026.

Respectfully submitted,

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